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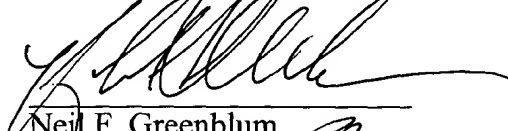
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The above-identified application includes:

- 29 pages of specification (including Abstract);
- 48 total claims; with 5 independent;
- 8 sheets of drawings with 8 figures;
- an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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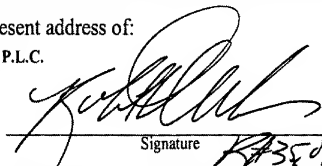
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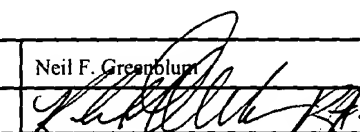
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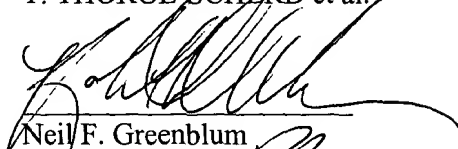
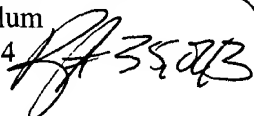
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